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I count we shall keep the others  
in of all who come

Wm Lloyd Garrison



gone out that he would lecture to our Franklin Institute next Friday eve. But I have learnt from Wendell Phillips that he will not be here — fortunately I have been able to supply his place — but we shall depend upon seeing and hearing him.

Hundreds of thousands are on the tip toe of expectation.

If I supposed he meant not to come here at all, I should leave all here and go to New England to see him.

But again — to the object of this letter — Do I beg of you come to our Convention and bring Thompson — or Phillips, or Thos. Parker or Ch. Burleigh — or else persuade either two — or either one of the named to come —

Yours affectionately  
Saml J. May



all subsequent State gatherings  
we need therefore at our conven-  
tion as much of the true wisdom  
and moral strength of the An-  
ti Slavery Host as can be brought  
together. — Gerrit Smith and  
Wm L. Chaplin will be here  
and they are both strong men  
though they do not see things  
just as you and I see them.

There is no man on earth who  
would receive you and Wen-  
dell Phillips more cordially  
than Gerrit Smith. And if  
you and Phillips — or you  
and Parker could be here  
every thing would go right  
(or you and Burleigh).

Now what can be the need  
of all of you sticking fast  
in Massachusetts or New  
England — except it be to  
regale yourselves in each  
others presence? selfish fellows  
every one of you!!!

I have written twice to Geo.  
Thompson to inform me when  
he will be here — but have re-  
ceived no answer. It had



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My Dear Garrison



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I must write again to urge you to come to our Convention on the 7<sup>th</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> of January - or else persuade Thompson, or Phillips or Theodore Parker, to come.

The people desire to see you and Phillips even more than Thompson - and they will be very sorely disappointed if neither of the above named should be present.

It can not be necessary for all the giants to remain in New England at this juncture, and I think you will mistake your duty if you all do remain there.

Our Convention can not but be a very important one. The doings of the people of the Empire State are never insignificant.

Our Convocation will be the first State Convention, called to oppose the Infernal Law - and its doings, if well done, may have an important influence upon